Financial assistance for setting up Old Age Homes

1455. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any scheme to give financial assistance to the State Governments to establish Old Age Homes;

(b) if so, whether any financial assitance has been given to the Goa Government in this regard during the last five years; and

(c) if so, the details thereof, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) In the existing scheme, there is no provision for disbursement of financial assistance to the State Government for construction of Old Age Homes.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Harassment of SC students

1456. SHRI AMBETH RAJAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidents of harassment of Scheduled castes students in UTs, IIMs, IISc, Bangalore and AIIMS, New Delhi have come to Government's notice during the last five years;

(b) if so, the details thereof, indicating the particulars and the nature of alleged atrocities institute-wise and year-wise;

(c) whether any representation, requesting for intervention, is pending with Government; and

(d) the measures being taken by Government to set right the injustice meted out to scheduled caste students?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Ashrams and hostels for tribal students in Karnataka

1457. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether various State Governments particularly the Karnataka Government have requested for special central assistance during the last three years, for construction of ashrams, boys, and girls, hostels, and for providing post-matric scholarships for tribal students;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the total central assistance provided to State Governments during the above period. State-wise and year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. R. KYNDIAH): (a) and (b) There is no provision for release of Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Plan (SCA to TSP) to the State Governments for construction of Ashram Schools, boys'/girls' hostels and post-matric scholarships. However, this Ministry releases grants to the States for these activities under the respective schemes. The receipt of proposals from State Governments including Karnataka for release of grants in aid under the schemes of construction of Ashram School in TSP Areas, boys and girls hostels and Post Matric Scholarship is a continuous process. The grant-in-aid is released only if the proposals are complete in all respects including availability of land free of cost, confirmation about availability of matching share in the State budget, Utilization Certificate for grants released in previous years and physical progress reports in respect of proposals sanctioned in previous years and the availability of funds.

(c) The scheme-wise and year-wise funds released to States/UTs including Karnataka during last three years are given in Statement-I and II.

Statement-I

Grant in aid released under the scheme of Ashram Schools in TSP Areas during the last three year

(Rs. in lakhs)

SI. No.	Name of State/UT	2004-05 Amount	2005-06 Amount	200647 Amount
1.	Gujarat	86.49	200.00	156.52
2.	Madhya Pd.	300.00	200.00	624.01
3.	Karnataka	77.51	150.00	400.00
4.	Maharashtra	86.00	50.00	256.71
5.	Chattishgarh	0	0	112.76
	TOTAL	550.00	600.00	1550.00

Grant released under the scheme of Boys/Girls Hostels to various State Govt, during the last three years.

(Rs. in lakh)

SI. No.	Name of State/UT	2004-05 Amount	2005-06 Amount	2006-07 Amount
1	2	3	4	5
1.	-Andhra Pd.	0	0	120.00
2.	Gujarat	67.60	0	0
3.	Himachal Pd.	0	108.18	82.39
4.	Madhya Pd.	300.00	724.00	305.00
5.	Manipur	0	142.70	123.51

1	2	3	4	5
6.	Meghalaya	0	0	200.00
7	Orissa	0	0	56.50
8.	Rajasthan	0	0	190.50
>.	West Bengal	0	6.71	0
10.	J&K	0	0	204.99
11.	Karnataka	120.00	86.00	170.79
12.	Maharashtra	242.04	194.46	0
13.	Nagaland	151.00	116.52	221.09
14.	UT Delhi	234.88	6421	440.91
15.	Jharkhand	98.86	0	250.16
16	Chhattishgarh	0	0	165.00
17	Arunachal Pradesh	20.50	21.43	180.07
18.	Punjab University, Chandigarh	65.12	100.79	0
19.	Delhi University	0	0	100.00
	TOTAL	1300.00	1565.00	2810.91

Statement-II

Grant in aid released under the scheme of Post Matric Scholarship during the last three years

(Rs. in Lakh)

SI. No.	Name of State/UT	2004-05 Amount	2005-06 Amount	2006-07 amount
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1084.23	3606.79	4403.27
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0
3.	Assam	100.00	1200.32	2360.46
4.	Bihar	0	0	0
5.	Chhattishgarh	206.45	1254.04	853.71
6.	Goa	12.09	6.04	70.445
7.	Gujarat	222.43	2447.59	910.67
8.	Himachal Pradesh	9.17	6.61	0
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	196.07	508.08	200

1	2	3	4	5
10.	Jharkhand	200.00	84126	461.07
11.	Karnataka	400.00	202030	1178.00
12.	Kerala	146.14	289.72	311.42
13.	Madhya Pradesh	899.04	288.7	2092.405
14.	Maharashtra	1042.86	1031.44	750
15.	Manipur	538.97	1794	1316.45
16.	Meghalaya	92628	192531	550
17.	Mizoram	900.99	84085	1153.0?
18.	Nagaland	507.00	9823	2694.79
19.	Orissa	0	100	141034
20.	Rajasthan	179237	1261.98	3496.74
21.	Sikkim	15.01	954	9.63
22.	Tamil Nadu	49.05	17.86	7533
23.	Tripura	296. 19	195.14	348. i 83
24.	Uttar Pradesh	107.62	56.07	93.68
25.	Uttarakhand	13730	85.05	31226
26.	West Bengal	34531	24521	447.92
27.	A. & N. Islands	2.74	3.09	3.416
28.	Daman & Diu	0	0	0
	TOTAL	10137.71	21018.09	2503.409

Formulation of ST (Recognition of Forests Rights) Bill, 2005

1458. SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN : Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the tribals or the tribal organisations and NGOs working in tribal areas were consulted, while formulating the new Scheduled Tribes (Recognition of Forests Rights) Bill, 2005;

(b) if so, whether their objections were taken into consideration;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether Government would consult tribals and NGOs working in tribal areas while formulating the rules and if not, the reasons therefor?